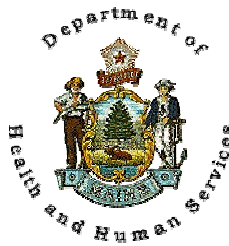


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**TO:** Interested Parties

**FROM:** Catherine Cobb, Acting Director, Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services

**SUBJECT:** Final Rule: Maine Certificate of Need Procedures Manual for Health Care Facilities (other than Nursing Facilities)

The adopted rule incorporates recent statutory changes to include the State Health Plan and Capital Investment Fund.

A public hearing was held on October 21, 2004. Written comments were received on the proposed rule until September 14, 2004.

Rules and related rulemaking documents may be reviewed at and printed from the Bureau of Medical Services website at <http://www.maine.gov/bms/Other%20Proposed.htm> or, for a fee, interested parties may request a paper copy of rules by contacting at 207-287-9368. For those who are deaf or hard of hearing and have a TTY machine, the TTY number is 1-800-423-4331.

A copy of the public comments and Department responses can be viewed at and printed from the Bureau of Medical Services website or obtained by calling 207-287-9368 or TTY: (207) 287-1828 or 1-800-423-4331.

If you have any questions regarding the policy, please contact Steven Keaten at 287-1836.